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METHODOLOGY FOR COMPUTING MSP
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to upgrade the methodology for computing the MSP of farm commodities;

(b) if so, whether the existing system of computing MSP of farm commodities have been found to be ineffective; and

(c) if so, the extent to which the upgradation of the methodology for computing MSP of farm commodities is going to help the farmers at large?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)to(c): The methodology for computing the Minimum Support Price(MSP)of farm commodities is periodically reviewed and necessary changes are effected keeping in view the changing economic scenario. In this context, a National Workshop on Estimation of Cost of Production of Principal Crops held recently considered anddiscussed suggestions for effecting improvements in the present system. The interests of the farmers have always been uppermost in the mind of the government and policy measures are taken, whenever necessary, to protect and enhance the same.